

ALTESS News

Acquisition, Logistics and Technology Enterprise Systems and Services (ALTESS) Introduces ABE Hub

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Released Nov. 19, 2006, the Acquisition Business Enterprise (ABE) Hub is the first step for the Acquisition Information Management (AIM) system and Project Director (PD) ALTESS to transform to commercial-off-the-shelf enterprise resource planning solutions. The ABE Hub meets DOD and Army security requirements for single sign-on and DOD Public Key Infrastructure (PKI) Common Access Card (CAC), and is aligned with the Army's business transformation goals.

The ABE Hub brings Army acquisition and program life-cycle management tools to a central location by providing Army leadership and program offices one-click access to program data and reporting. It provides the acquisition domain a vehicle to review the tools used by the Acquisition, Logistics and Technology Workforce from program executive office (PEO) to PEO via each organization's portal/tab. All tools available in the ABE Hub are accessible via Army Knowledge Online (AKO) or DOD PKI login.



Current AIM users with active AIM accounts will be migrated to the ABE Hub as long as they have an active AKO user ID and password and/or DOD PKI CAC. AIM users who do not hold either of these log-in capabilities must obtain one or the other or both prior to receiving an ABE Hub account.

The need for AIM user IDs and passwords is eliminated in the ABE Hub, conveniently providing users one less user ID and password to remember and change every 60 days.

New users to the ABE Hub submit an account request after they have logged into the ABE Hub with their AKO User ID and password or CAC. Account approval is granted from organizational-based ABE Hub account managers, who are also current AIM account managers. The ABE Hub merged users' accounts with the Oracle® Collaboration Suite 10G (document, task management and Oracle projects).

For more information, please call the ALTESS Customer Support Center at (800) 981-3234.

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Readership Survey Results

Readership Survey a Resounding Success

As many of you know, we recently conducted a readership survey to gauge the ongoing appeal of *Army AL&T* Magazine, to determine the acceptance level of recent changes to our distribution schedule, to solicit feedback on how to improve the publication and to identify topics that readers would like to see covered in 2007.

First, I would like to thank the 2,228 readers who responded to the survey. It took some time and effort to do so, and we sincerely appreciate the feedback, especially to the appeal for open-ended requests for general comments, suggestions or remarks, and for ideas regarding future articles.

Second, I want to express my gratitude for the insight, creativity and fresh perspective that each respondent brought to the table. Of the 2,081 respondents who stated that they regularly read the magazine, 91 percent rated the content of the articles as either good or excellent. While proud of that response, we did not overlook the fact that another eight percent rated the content as merely fair, and that almost one percent rated the content as poor. Nor did we fail to